## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
		:	Examiner: Albert H. Cutler
YASUSHI KASAI		)	
		:	TC/Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 10/680,094		)	
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For:	IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS	)	
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	METHOD	)	December 28, 2007

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Prior to the further examination of the above-identified application, pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please enter the following amendments. Also, Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action of August 30, 2007.